

crease of \$3,000,000 in the appropriations for educational purposes. And this splendid result was accomplished without complete control of the administration, such as we will have after January 1."

Whitman Attacks Tiger.

Before Mr. Mitchell arrived at Carnegie Hall to address the "Clergy and Laity Fusion" meeting, where he was welcomed by more than three thousand, District Attorney Whitman, stating his desire to repudiate the advertisements in which Tammany tried to make capital out of his Madison Square Garden speech, flayed Tammany vigorously.

Rabbi Stephen S. Wise was even more bitter in his characterization of Judge McCall than the fusion candidate has ever been.

"The Tammany Hall candidate for Mayor," he said, "claims that no man owns him. True it is that no man could buy him, because Murphy would not sell so safe and profitable an investment. Judge McCall denies that he is 'Murphy's man.' He is right. There is no such thing as 'Murphy's man.' No man can be a man and Murphy's man at the same time.

"Poor, weak, miserable Sulzer tried to be a man, and Murphy's man at the same time, with the result that he is out, and Murphy will soon be down."

In his trip into Brooklyn Mr. Mitchell spoke first in St. Paul's Casino, Coney Island. There he gave as an example of the opportunity for reform in the Police Department his crusade in the summer of 1910, when he was acting Mayor.

"Tammany," he said, "would make you believe that when I am elected Mayor I will give you a 'Puritanical' administration. My opponent came down here and said that I would restrict every man's personal liberty."

Coney Island Not Hurt.

"You people here in Coney Island know what I will do, from what I did when I was acting Mayor. No sooner had I taken that office than a swarm of complaints came in about conditions in Coney Island. I sent down independent inspectors to investigate, and when they came back and put their reports in affidavit form the reports were so revolting that no newspaper could print a descriptive line of the situation which the Police Department allowed to exist.

"The next day I sent down Inspector Russell in charge of the force. The same day he so harassed the vicious element that its members formed a parade, with a brass band at the head, marched down Surf avenue and departed, never to come back.

"That is one example of efficient police management, made without hurting the legitimate affairs of any one. That is what you want, I believe, and Coney Island has been clean ever since.

"At the same time I believe in the fullest personal liberty. While I shall protect the people against the gunmen, the crooks and the rest of the vicious element, I purpose to make sure that every one shall enjoy liberty without unwarranted interference in their legitimate business and harmless pleasures. That will be carried out on Sunday as well as any other day, with the only limitation that no man shall interfere on the rights or consciences of others."

At the Knights of Columbus Hall, Bushwick avenue and Hart street, Brooklyn, Mr. Mitchell mentioned his membership in Council No. 705 of that organization. This is the same council of which Judge McCall is a member.

In addition to the meetings mentioned, the fusion candidate spoke at Prospect Hall, Prospect avenue and Fifth avenue, Brooklyn; Public School 91, Manhattan; Marconi Hall, No. 349 East 114th street, and the London Casino, in The Bronx.

STOKES LEADS IN POLL

Figures Indicate He Will Have 3,200 Plurality in Jersey.

The election of Edward C. Stokes, Republican candidate for Governor of New Jersey by a plurality of 3,200 over James F. Fiedler, Democrat, was the result of the poll of the state made by "The Newark Sunday Call" during the last ten days. Everett Colby, Progressive candidate, was a bad third in the poll, carrying only one county, and that a small one, Ocean, which Roosevelt carried last year.

The poll indicated that Stokes would be successful in Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Mercer, Middlesex, Morris, Salem, Somerset and Passaic counties.

The Fiedler counties, as shown by the poll were Bergen, Hudson, Hunterdon, Monmouth, Sussex, Union and Warren. The result in Essex county was extremely close, Stokes having an indicated plurality of about one thousand, with Fiedler second and Colby third.

The vote was taken in a manner to show the percentage of change from the results of the Wilson-Lewis campaign of 1910, and the drift of the vote indicated the Wilson vote was shifting to Stokes and Colby at a ratio of three for Stokes and two for Colby.

Colby drew somewhat from the Lewis vote. There were no indications of a landslide and no remarkable changes in the complexion of the counties from the Republican trend of the state prior to the 1910 election.

READY TO FIGHT AT POLLS

Gunmen Threaten College Watchers—Fusion Prepares.

Alarming reports that an army of hosters has been recruited by Tammany to swell the early vote have led the fusion managers to prepare to defeat any such plans by having plenty of watchers at the polls. When it was announced that college men would be sent to various notorious districts, it is said that well known gunmen, working in behalf of Tammany Hall, declared that they would run the college men into the river.

To assist the volunteer watchers, the fusion managers have secured the appointment of Detective Dan Costigan to lead his squad into the suspected districts. It is predicted that many arrests will be made between now and Election Day.

CONTRACTOR ADMITS GIFTS.

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.) Newburgh, N. Y., Nov. 1.—Samuel Beskin, of Beacon, contractor on several state roads, said to-day he had made annual contributions to the local Democratic party and knew where the money went. Beskin said he had never given anything to a state campaign as he was never asked to do so.

STILWELL PLANNED WAR ON TAMMANY

Record of Sing Sing Conversation Shows Former Senator Said He Could Put Murphy and Frawley in Jail.

DEMANDED PARDON FIRST

Tells of \$12,000 Being Paid for a Nomination, but Failure of Detectaphone at Many Points Eliminates Much Detail.

Stephen J. Stilwell, the Tammany Senator from the Bronx, who was sent to Sing Sing for extortion after the Senate whitewashed him on the same charges, told John A. Hennessy on August 25, while a stenographer, with the aid of a detectaphone, listened, that he was "pretty sure" he could put Charles F. Murphy behind prison bars as a grafter and that he had no doubt of putting Senator James J. Frawley in a cell.

The transcript of the dramatic conversation with Stilwell, as recorded by the detectaphone installed by the Burns Detective Agency in the office of Warden Clancy, of Sing Sing, was made public by the Burns Agency yesterday. The record showed how Stilwell dickered for a full pardon, refusing to tell all he knew until he was a free man, and of the unavailing efforts of Sulzer's chief probe to get the names of corroborative witnesses from the prisoner.

Present besides Hennessy at one time or another were Warden Clancy, Alderman Frederick Stilwell, of Yonkers, a brother of the prisoner; Charles H. Unversagt and ex-Senator Ruben L. Gledhill.

Wagner the Boss's Messenger.

Stilwell said that "I know how (Governor) Glynn takes his orders," and declared that Senator, now Lieutenant Governor, Robert F. Wagner repeatedly came to him with messages from Murphy, saying: "The boss wants this"; "the boss is interested in this matter. He wants it put through."

Stilwell declared that he was in a position to swing six or seven votes of his former associates for Sulzer in the impeachment proceedings, but declared he would have to be free to do this. Hennessy was forced to leave the prisoner without getting any tangible proof against Murphy, Frawley or any one else, and the negotiations were dropped.

The story in the "little black book" in so far as it concerns Murphy, Frawley and Wagner met with prompt denials. Murphy denied he ever threatened Stilwell, or demanded money from him, at Delmonico's.

"I never saw Stilwell at Delmonico's," added Mr. Murphy. "I did tell him that I did not think the people of The Bronx wanted a separate county, and if they did they could easily get it through a referendum."

"What do you think of Stilwell's assertions that he could get you in jail and that he had the proof?" the Tammany leader was asked.

"I am sure I don't know what Mr. Stilwell means," replied Mr. Murphy. "The only dealings I ever had with him were in connection with the Bronx County bill, and I did not, as he says, threaten to kill him, politically, financially or otherwise."

The "little black book" contains many gaps due to the failure of the detectaphone to record because of the noise of passing trains, which run directly in front of and under the warden's office.

When a transcript had been read by Mr. Unversagt he said that in parts it seemed badly mixed, and added: "If Governor Sulzer had appointed Stilwell as his counsel he would never have been convicted. The Governor, had Stilwell been his counsel, would have won out by the same majority that Stilwell obtained when he was on trial before the Senate. The boss wanted Stilwell removed just as they wanted Sulzer removed, but while the boss is obeyed by the legislators, self-preservation is their first law."

Sidelights on Tammany Methods. Here is a fragment of a typical conversation as recorded by the detectaphone. The dashes show spots where the detectaphone failed to detect, for one reason or another:

Hennessy—There's another matter about Murphy where money was paid for a nomination. Do you know anything about it?

Stilwell—made a note for \$5,000—everything was left to Murphy—to do this—

Hennessy—Is the one—\$5,000 from Tammany?

Stilwell—The trouble is you got to do it in a way that will convict him—

Hennessy—About that bill that passed—\$20,000—can you prove it?

Stilwell—Sure. It was sent up there. The bill never got out of the committee. Murphy sent it up. K. told me—

Murphy wanted me to— the bill. He said the boss wants you to introduce the bill. Then Frawley came along. It was the time that B. was away as chairman. I never thought he would take any money. They met the man whom Frawley asked to go get the \$10,000 to kill the bill. But I can only tell you what he told me.

Unversagt—I believe that you told me the other day that Murphy got \$5,000 out of it.

Hennessy—What for?

Stilwell—For killing the bill. I think it was in the spring of 1911. I am only telling you what Frawley told me.

Stilwell was insistent that he be pardoned before he made any confession. Hennessy strove to assure him that Sulzer would make good if he did. The detectaphone record runs thus:

Had Told All to "Mr. U." Hennessy—The pardon will come finally. The only question is this, in giving this pardon the Governor would have to be satisfied that what you have had to say would make it sure, pretty sure, about giving a pardon to you. Of course it could not be done any other way. Of course there is no way to convince them of that unless by what you want to say.

Stilwell—Why, I have told Mr. U. the whole thing. We went over it three or four times, surely. I told him I did not want to talk it over with others. You see, I am in a peculiar position. I must look after myself. This man came to me and I told him what I could do if I was pardoned, because otherwise I ran a chance of injury to myself. Now I told Mr. U. the whole thing—what he could say before the Governor, what I could do if I was pardoned. I presume what he wanted more than anything else was to win the impeachment proceedings.

Hennessy—We won't attack the Senate, but we would like to show up some of the people who are so active. It is very doubtful if we will ever need any of it. Stilwell—I said no. I didn't want any of my friends implicated; it's all understood.

Hennessy—As far as Murphy is concerned, there are a couple of others as active in it. Now, to get down to facts.

Stilwell—There were two men only in my statement.

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Said He'd Be Honest.

Stilwell—The others, I expected to give them an opportunity to do as I asked them to do in regard to the impeachment, and then if they don't do it, then it's a different proposition. Well, what I wanted to do is to furnish proof against two men, and then have additional proof against the others who you do not want to involve unless they go against the Governor. I will give them an opportunity first. I will be honest and frank with you. Give me an opportunity and if they do (not) want to protect the Governor under these conditions I will do the other way.

Hennessy—Who are these two men?

Stilwell—Frawley and Murphy.

Hennessy—Are you willing to tell me the names of these others?

Stilwell—Not unless the pardon is here.

Hennessy—You mean you want the pardon before you make affidavit?

Stilwell—I will give you the affidavit or anything, but I can't go before the grand jury. I will go the limit. I will prevent them from voting against the Governor. I will put Murphy in jail and Frawley there, too, but I must protect myself. I must do it.

Hennessy—You must also understand how we are situated. We need protection, too, absolutely all the way; there is no limit—if you want to do it in a way that will please the public.

Must Have His Data.

Stilwell—I couldn't go before the grand jury before I got my data. I got to get my notes (speaking rapidly). I've got to get the dates, I've got to get what happened last year, I've got to get my memorandum. Now, there's my diary of last year; I can't do it now; I've got to get all those bills if you want to win. I've got to give you the proper dates, I've got to get all the bills, I've got to get some certain things the date when the money was paid to this man and the money paid over to him. I've got to get this man to say so. My testimony alone without corroboration is without advantage to you. This isn't a thing that you can shoot off in the hands; you want to go in it thoroughly.

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